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In re Application of: )  
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Juergen ROEMISCH, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1652  
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Application No.: 09/912,559 ) Examiner: Elizabeth Slobodyansky  
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Filed: July 26, 2001 )  
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For: MUTANTS OF THE FACTOR VII- )  
ACTIVATING PROTEASE AND )  
DETECTION METHODS USING )  
SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants hereby reply to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2003. This reply is accompanied by a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time to September 11, 2003, and fee payment. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include a **Replacement Abstract**.

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